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## District Man Sentenced For Killing Mother of Five, Shooting Another Woman in August 2007 Attack

WASHINGTON - Tyren Devin Hyman, 32, of Washington, D.C., was sentenced today to a total of 41 years of incarceration on murder and other charges stemming from a shooting in August 2007, U.S. Attorney Ronald C. Machen Jr. announced.

Hyman pled guilty to second degree murder while armed and assault with intent to kill. After denying the defendant's motion to withdraw his guilty pleas, which were entered on August 19, 2010, the Honorable Judge Gerald I. Fisher went forward with the sentencing.

According to the government's investigation and factual proffer, on August 15, 2007, the decedent, LaDonna Carter, 31, and another woman were introduced to and spent the evening with Hyman and one of his male acquaintances. During the evening, Hyman became convinced that Ms. Carter stole money from him, which she denied.

On August 16, 2007, shortly before 1:55 a.m., Hyman drove the women to the 3600 block of Bangor Street SE, where they were made to exit his vehicle. Hyman, who was armed with a .40-caliber pistol, shot Ms. Carter's friend in the stomach, causing her to fall to the ground. Fearing for her life, Ms. Carter tried to flee. While firing repeated shots from his .40- caliber pistol, the defendant pursued Ms. Carter. Ms. Carter, the mother of five, was shot repeatedly and collapsed amidst a group of trash cans, where her body was subsequently discovered by police. Hyman then returned and stood over Ms. Carter's friend, firing repeated shots into her body. An autopsy determined that all of Ms. Carter's five gunshot wounds were from behind. At the time of the murder and shooting, Hyman was on federal supervised release.

In announcing the sentencing, U.S. Attorney Machen praised the work of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD), especially Detectives Manuel Gaffney, Gail Russell-Brown, Detective Sgt. Daniel Wagner, King Watts, and William Xanten. He also commended the work of MPD Mobile Crime Officers Kemper Agee and Tina Ramadhan, the laboratory work of MPD Biologist Candice Larry and DNA Examiner Jennifer Zeffer, and the forensic work of

Firearms Examiner Michael Mulderig. Mr. Machen additionally praised the work of Paralegals Marian Russell and Sandra Lane, as well as, Litigation Technology Specialist Kimberly Smith.

Finally, he thanked Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen J. Gripkey, who indicted and prosecuted the case.

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